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- The Arab firm of Marba, owned by F. S. Martak and A. M. Badjened, Binnen Nieuwpoortstraat 15, Batavia, purchased the Tugu and Merdeka Notels at Maliboro, Jogjakarta, from the Nederlands-Indisch Escompto Maatschappij in early September 1949. Marbo also owns the well-known Tretes Hotel, a resort place about 45 kilometers from Surabaya.
- 2. It was reported on 25 September that, in order to secure a guarantee of safety for the purchase, Martak and Badjened promised the Republican Foreign Ministry that they would provide the Indonesian Legation in Gaire with operating funds amounting to \$10,000.
- 3. Martak is now making arrangements to go to Cairo to turn over the money to the legation there.

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